

RESEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT

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The Research Committee met after the educational meeting at Majestic Oaks on March 11. We discussed several topics. Among them were ways to further involve the general membership in the research presently being done. We are all losing out by not seeing the plots more frequently. Hopefully, we will be able to find a way to make it more convenient for everyone to visit the plots. One possibility would be to hold regular monthly meetings at or near clubs where plots are located. Another would be to remind the membership that often we

pass by a club where plots are located on our way to a meeting. With a little extra time coming to or returning from a meeting, the plots could be visited. The Research Committee is also going to hold meetings at the plot sites during the time when diseases are active or when definite differences in the plots can be seen.

The committee also discussed the six topics mentioned in the February issue of "HOLE NOTES" as well as consideration of a study on ice damage to turf, anthracnose and PMAS rates. Any other topics which you or a member of M.G.C.S.A. would like to see studied should be brought to our attention. We need your ideas.

Unfortunately, one of the factors governing how much can be done by the research program is the money available. This is where all of the members of M.G.C.S.A. can do their part. In the very near future you will be receiving a letter, as will each club president, which will include the research program memorandum invoice. Please discuss the matter with the appropriate people at your club. The help of every club is needed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported the research program in 1979. The following is a list of last year's contributors:

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National Tournament Results

Guadalajara, Mexico. T. C. Hamilton, CGCS, superintendent of the Dallas (Texas) Country Club, came from four strokes back to beat defending champion Dan Meyers, CGCS, Temple Terrace (Florida) Golf and Country Club in a one-hole playoff during the Golf Course Superintendents' Association of America's annual golf tournament. The tournament was played on three Guadalajara, Mexico courses. Hamilton, 1978 winner, played the final eight holes at 3-under par to tie Meyers at the end of the 36-holes of regulation play, and his par on the first playoff hole gave him the title. Vaughn Barker, superintendent of Fore Lakes Golf Club, Murray, Utah, finished one shot back and won the Seniors Flight.